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TEMPORARY STORAGE
BAI DUC THON, NORTH VIETNAM
1802N 10550E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS AN EXAMPLE OF THE OPEN STORAGE CURRENTLY OBSERVED AT THE BAI DUC THON STAGING AREA.

2. LOCATION:

AT BAI DUC THON AND 24 NAUTICAL MILES NORTH OF THE LAOTIAN BORDER.

3. BACKGROUND:

SEE NOTES FOR NPIC BRIEFING BOARD M-5827

4. MISSION READOUT:

PHOTOGRAPHY OF 20 JANUARY 1969 REVEALS A TYPICAL OPEN STORAGE AREA
IN THE BAI DUC THON STAGING AREA. VEGETATION HAS BEEN CLEARED ON BOTH SIDES
OF THE RAIL LINE TO ACCOMMODATE THE SUPPLIES BEING BROUGHT FROM THE NORTH.
APPROXIMATELY 15,000 SMALL PROBABLE WOODEN CRATES OF VARIOUS SQUARE AND RECTANGULAR SIZES HAVE BEEN STACKED IN THE AREA EAST OF THE RAIL LINE. THE NATURE
OF THESE CRATED GOODS CANNOT BE DETERMINED ALTHOUGH THEY ARE TYPICAL OF
AMMUNITION TYPE CRATES. A WOODEN FRAME HUT/SHELTER IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION OVER
A PORTION OF THE CRATES.

SIX CANVAS COVERED STACKS OF PROBABLE SACKED SUPPLIES ARE OBSERVED ON WOODEN PLANKING IN THE AREA WEST OF THE RAIL LINE. THESE STACKS ARE TYPICAL OF PROBABLE RICE STORAGE OBSERVED IN OTHER AREA OF THE BAI DUC THON STAGING COMPLEX.

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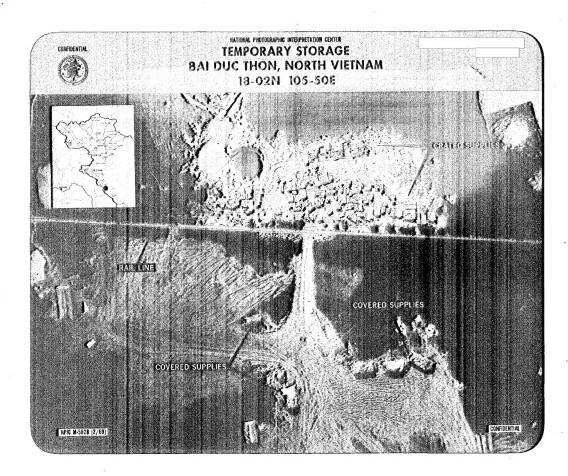
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